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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION REPORTING-VANCE TRIP

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1. REPORTING OF SECRETARY'S TRIP INCREASES WITH ARRIVAL IN
CAIRO, RECEIVING FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE MOST DAILIES. MOST PROMINENT
TREAT-
MENT, HOWEVER, GIVEN KHALID-ASSAD TALKS, KHALID CALL FOR
ARAB UNITY.

2. ARABIC LANGUAGE PAPERS SEE TRIP AS ATTEMPT TO LEND
SUPPORT TO SADAT INITIATIVES, BRING CONFRONTATION STATES TO CAIRO. OKAZ

STATES "VANCES MAIN OBJECTIVE IS TO LEND SUPPORT TO
DIRECT EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT DAMAGING, IN THE PROCESS,

CHANCES OF ACHIEVING A COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT IN THE AREA. IN
THIS CONTEXT, THE SECRETARY SHOULD GET ISRAELI CONCESSIONS
NOT ONLY ON THE EGYPTIAN FRONT, BUT ON ALL OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES."

3. ABDUL BARI ATWAN IN MEDINA SUGGESTS IT WILL NOT
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BE POSSIBLE TO GET SYRIA OR JORDAN TO CAIRO" .. AS LONG AS ONLY
PROCEDURAL AND
NOT CORE ISSUES ARE DEALT WITH." HE SEES THE SECRETARY
AND PRESIDENT CARTER AS CONTRADICTING EACH OTHER ON THE
NEED FOR OR IMPORTANCE OF A GENEVA CONFERENCE AND SUGGESTS THIS
REFLECTS CONFUSION IN THE US SIMILAR TO THAT" .. AMONG THE
ARAB NATIONS."

4. FYI THE QUALITY OF COVERAGE OF FAST-BREAKING NEWS EVENTS VARIES GREATLY AMONG NEWSPAPERS IN THE KINGDOM; A FUNCTION OF EQUIPMENT AND STAFF PROFESSIONALISM. OKAZ IS EASILY THE BEST ARABIC LANGUAGE PAPER, IF ONLY BECAUSE IT IS THE BEST DISTRIBUTED. AL-BILAD TENDS TO BE EQUAL WITH MEDINA AS NEXT IN LINE, WITH THE OTHERS BEHIND. IF OKAZ IS THE MOST WIDELY-READ PAPER, ABDUL BARI ATWAN IS THE MOST WIDELY READ SINGLE PERSONALITY ON MIDDLE EASTERN ISSUES. END FYI STEWART

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